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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 10, 2003, for which the period set for response expires on May 10, 2003, Applicant respectfully submits the following Amendment and Response in the above-identified patent application.

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Title

Please amend the title as set forth in the attached marked-up version of the title to read as follows.

= Dual Rail Tool Holder =

<u>In the Abstract</u>

Please amend the abstract as set forth in the attached marked-up version of the abstract to read as follows.

= A dual rail tool holder may be used to store and organize garden and lawn tools with long handles in an inverted position, as well as to store and organize accessories. The tool holder consists of a first rail and a second rail, that are vertically and horizontally offset from each other forming an opening therebetween. Ends of tool handles are inserted in the opening between the rails and are stored in a generally vertical orientation.